



GUNN MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY IS MORE THAN JUST BOOKS!

Submitted by: Rhonda Griffin

The library now offers a few select items other than books to check out!

Wheelchair – Need a wheelchair for a week? We have one available at the library to check-out!

Projector – Local agencies can check-out a projector for three days! Just ask at the circulation desk!

Whiteboard/easel – Local agencies can borrow our whiteboard/easel for a 3-day loan.

Specialty Baking Pans – We have those too! The library now offers limited Baking Pans that can be checked-out for 3 days. Currently, we have three pans: Ernie, a pan shaped like a book, and a cheesecake pan. Where do you find them, with the Cookbooks of course!

**** Terms and Conditions of baking pans:**

- Pans should be washed before using.
- Pans must be clean when returned to library.
- The library is not responsible for cross contamination including gluten or food allergies.
- Baking pans check out for 3 days.

All pans have been donated to the library by patrons. If you have specialty pans that you would like to donate, just bring them into the library!

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Gunn Memorial Public Library

The North Carolina Public Library Directors Association (NCPLDA) recently selected Gunn Memorial Public Library as 2018-2019 Outstanding New/Improved Library Facility for mid-sized public libraries.

Criteria for the facility award include:

- Functionality of building
- Incorporation of new technologies
- Appealing interior design
- Well-designed furnishings and shelving
- Creativity in design
- Enhancement of the surrounding environment
- Adequate parking areas
- Good lighting
- Appropriate signage
- Sympathy to existing architecture and appropriate use of space (in renovations)
- Landscaping



While the entire renovation and expansion of the Gunn Memorial Public Library was a seven-year process from receipt of the first LSTA State Planning Grant to the Ribbon Cutting on May 1, 2019, the construction itself lasted only slightly over a year. After award of the 2012 Planning Grant, which identified more space as the number one need of the library, another grant was secured in 2015 that provided funding to employ the Ramsay, Burgin, Smith Architect firm to design the new/expanded library. Ramsay, Burgin, Smith worked with and listened to input and suggestions from library staff to design, and redesign, the new building. Mr. Burgin and Diane Gibbs proved to be especially patient and understanding during the nearly yearlong design process. Over the next two years, funding for the brick and mortar construction costs was secured from Piedmont Electric Membership Corp., Golden LEAF Foundation, Danville Regional Foundation, Cannon Foundation and Caswell County. Once H.M Kern began construction, several other grants were also awarded that helped our library meet the criteria for the Outstanding New/Improved Facility Award. These grants included funding from The Community Foundation for shelving, State Library LSTA grant for a business center and equipment, Duke Energy grant for a MakerSpace, and a McDonalds Foundation

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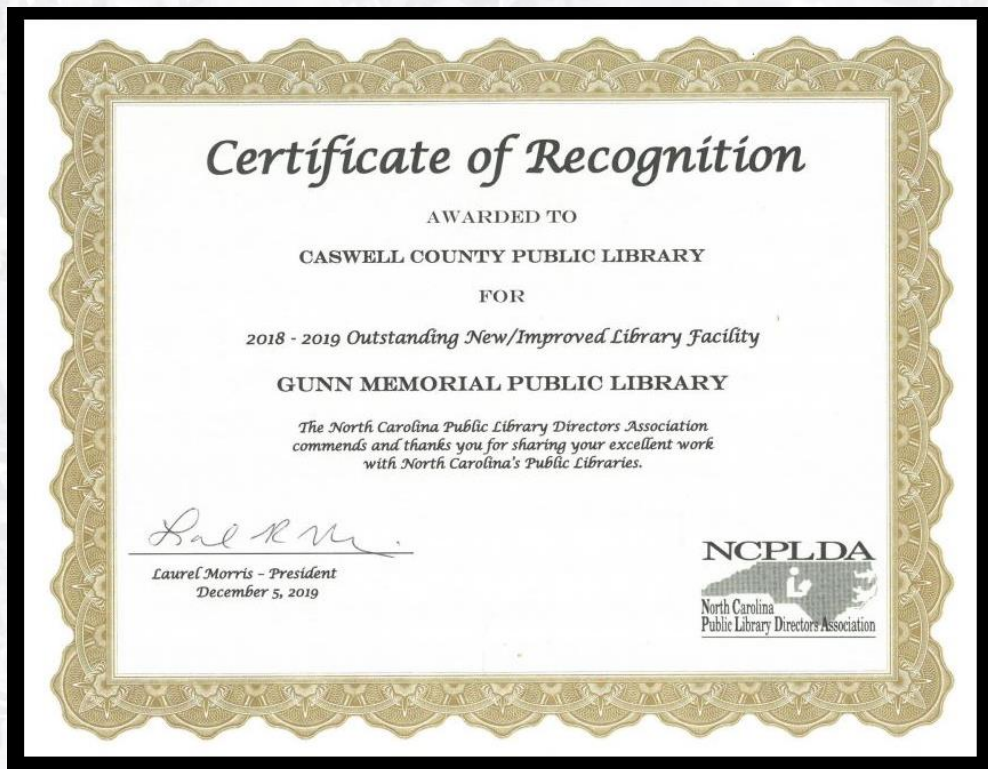
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grant for furniture in the children's area. In the end, the updated library facility was truly a community effort. None of this would have been possible without the support and assistance of our local community, commissioners and county officials. County employees and volunteers pitched in to help move. The Library Advisory Board worked diligently in planning and supporting library efforts throughout the construction process, while also working to update library policies for the expanded facility. The Friends of the Library worked on fund raising efforts that included a bake sale at the farmer's market, book sale, and donation campaign, while simultaneously designing and landscaping the front patio and entryway. Bartlett Yancey's football and basketball teams helped move boxes of books and shelves, while the Beta Club and other community volunteers arranged the books on the shelves.

This is truly an award for the entire community! Thank you to all who were a part of this grand effort.

The "2019 NCPLDA Award: Outstanding New/Improved Library Facility" award was presented December 5, 2019 at the North Carolina's Public Library Director's Association's annual winter meeting in Winston-Salem.



New Services at Senior Center

Submitted by: Jeannine Everidge

Caswell Senior Services and Caswell Family Medical Center have partnered to offer counseling services to those 55 and older. Sara Laws, LCSW is a licensed clinical social worker who specializes in Behavioral Health. Sara offers counseling in a variety of areas such as grief for those who have lost a spouse or a child. Another goal for the center and Sara is to work with Grandparents who are raising their grandchildren. She is available for all counseling situations. Sara takes all insurances including all insurances offered to Veterans. Sara comes to us from Alamance Regional. She is very excited for the chance to work with our senior adult population. Sara is in the office at the center every Monday from 8am-5pm. To schedule an appointment with her you can call the senior center and speak with Dana Willis 336-694-7447 or you can call Caswell Family Medical Center 336-694-9331 and let them know you want to make an appointment with Sara Laws at the senior center.



From Everyone at Caswell Senior Services "Happy New Year"



**Great for
Lunch**

Soup & Sandwiches

Join Us for Lunch



**\$6.00/Soup, Sandwich & Drink
(Dine In or Carry Out)**

**All Proceeds to Benefit
Caregiver Support Program
(Specifically for Those Caring for
Alzheimer's & Related
Dementia's Patients)**

**Sponsored by The Caswell
Senior Center Advisory
Committee**

**Location: Caswell Senior Center
649 FireTower Rd.
Yanceyville, NC
336-694-7447**

**Thursday
January 16th**

12:30 pm



North Carolina Family Caregiver Support Program
Combating the Care

Happy Birthday!

EMPLOYEE	DEPARTMENT	BIRTHDATE
		JANUARY
JENNIFER EASTWOOD	HEALTH	2
MONIKA PARKER	LIBRARY	2
YVETTE WILLIAMS	DSS	3
NOAH TART	LIBRARY	4
JOHN YARBROUGH	EMS	6
DESIREE BENSON	SENIOR SERVICES	6
ROBERT WEBB	ELECTIONS	7
DON LOPER	DSS	10
TEDRA NOELL	DETENTION	11
CONTINA WILSON	E-911	13
MICHELLE WADDELL	DSS	13
DEMARCUS ROBERSON	DETENTION	16
JAMES SHELL	SHERIFF	16
MARIA CABLE	HEALTH	17
STERLING CARTER	COMMISSIONER	17
CYNTHIA WILLIAMSON	SHERIFF	18
JENNIFER PETTY	HEALTH	18
DENISE WILKINS	HEALTH	18
AUDREY DAVIS	DSS	19
JOHN GUNN	DETENTION	21
LORI OVERMAN	HEALTH	22
JULIE MCSHERRY	TAX DEPARTMENT	23
CHRISTOPHER DEARTH	SHERIFF	23
EMILY STRADER	HEALTH	24
CORI LINDSAY	ECONOMIC DEV.	27
APRIL PETTIFORD	DSS	31

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EMPLOYEE	DEPARTMENT	BIRTHDATE
		FEBRUARY
BRIAN JONES	SHERIFF	2
BETTIE KNIGHT	DSS	3
BRANDEN OVERMAN	SHERIFF	5
MAGGIE WATKINS	FAMILY SERVICES	5
TOMMY CREWS	SHERIFF	7
MARION EVANS	CATS	7
SUSAN WALKER	BLDG. INSPECTIONS	10
KENNETH MITCHELL	SHERIFF	11
JANICE GARLAND	DSS	15
SUSAN TROST	DETENTION	15
LUCINDA WILSON	DSS	17
ANNA MARTINEZ	HEALTH	19
WILLIAM CALDWELL	EMS	20
WANDA CONNALLY	DSS	22
MICHAEL GRIGGS	SHERIFF	22
JAMES DODSON	SHERIFF	23
RENISHA BROWN	DSS	27
HEATHER MASSIE	E-911	27

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EMPLOYEE	DEPARTMENT	BIRTHDATE
		MARCH
FERNANDEZ JOHNSON	DETENTION	2
CHRISTINE REBMAN	HEALTH	4
RACQUEL HUGHES	DSS	4
DORIS HYLER	LIBRARY	5
JASON BENSON	IT	5
JOSHUA BENFIELD	E-911	6
MATTHEW MANESS	HEALTH	8
RONALD HILL, JR.	EMS	9
DANNY EMERSON	FARMER LAKE	9
JEANNINE EVERIDGE	SENIOR SERVICES	10
DERRICK SMITH	DETENTION	15
REGINA BECRAFT	EMS	18
SONJA JOHNSON	DSS	21
MORGAN MCCADEN	DETENTION	23
CYNTHIA RICHMOND	HEALTH	23
JA'MIA LEE ANDERSON	HEALTH	25
BONNIE GIBSON	HEALTH	26
BRANDON FUQUA	ANIMAL CONTROL	29
MARY WOMACK	SENIOR SERVICES	31



Upcoming Events

County Commissioners' Meeting

Monday, January 6th & Tuesday, January 21st

Monday, February 3rd & February 17th

Monday, March 2nd & March 16th

Monday, January 7th – Commissioners Work Session – 911 Center

Wednesday, January 29th – Blood Drive – 10:00 – 2:00 – Senior Center


Thursday, February 13th @ 6:00 p.m. – Joint Meeting with Board of Commissioners, Town of Yanceyville & Town of Milton- 911 Center



Preserving the Past . . .



Embracing the Future!



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